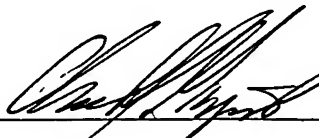


TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER VER-192XX U.S. APPLICATION NO. 10/538532 (37 CFR 1.5)
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/NL2003/000885	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 December 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 12 December 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION PROCESS CONTROL BASED ON ANALYSIS OF MICROBIAL POPULATIONS		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Josephus Mauritius Bernardus Maria van der Vossen; Frank Henri Johan Schuren; Roy Christiaan Montijn		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) IN ENGLISH a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). Published Appln. No. WO 2004/053147 b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> had been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached herewith (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:		
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. <u>(with attached copy of International Search Report)</u> 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:		

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain the USPTO to process an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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The following fees have been submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Basic national fee.....		\$300.00	\$ 300.00	
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Examination fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4)		\$100.00 \$200.00	\$ 200.00	
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Search fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority		\$100.00 \$400.00	\$ 400.00	
	All other situations		\$500.00		
TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =				\$ 900.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)	RATE		
- 100 =	/ 50 =		X \$250.00	\$ 0	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(h)).				\$	
CLAIMS		NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total claims		37 - 20 =	17	X \$ 50.00	\$ 850.00
Independent claims		3 - 3 =	0	X \$200.00	\$ 0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$360.00	\$ 360.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$2,110.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ -	
SUBTOTAL =				\$2,110.00	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).				\$ 0	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$2,110.00	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$2,110.00	
				Amount to be Refunded:	\$
				Amount to be Charged:	\$
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ 2,110.00 to cover the above fees, except assignment recordation, is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed for the assignment recordation fee.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>23-0804</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>					
<p>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.</p>					
<p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: _____ which is associated with the Law Firm of:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Customer Number 207</p> <p style="text-align: right;">WEINGARTEN, SCHURGIN, GAGNEBIN & LEOVICI LLP Ten Post Office Square Boston, Massachusetts 02109 United States Telephone: (617) 542-2290 Fax: (617) 451-0313</p>					
<p>line Attorney Signature: <u></u> Date: <u>6-10-05</u></p> <p>Attorney Name: <u>Charles L. Gagnebin III</u> Registration No: <u>25,467</u></p>					